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**Entitled:** WEDGE LOADING MECHANISM FOR TRACTION DRIVE

**Inventor:** Xiaolan Ai

**Attny. Docket No.** TIMK 8497U1

**Comments:** Amendment A

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**TRANSMITTAL**

Transmitted herewith is:

- ☒ An amendment in the above-identified application in response to the Office Action mailed December 14, 2004;
- ☐ A Petition For Extension of Time for            months.
- ☒ No additional fee is required.

Small Entity Status:

- ☐ Applicant claims small entity status.
- ☒ Applicant DOES NOT claim small entity status.

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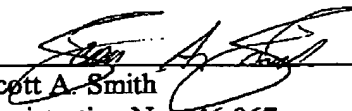
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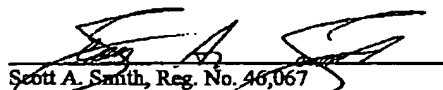
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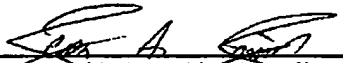
**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE A**

In response to the Office communication mailed December 14, 2004, Applicant hereby requests that the following amendments be made to the above-referenced patent application and submits the following remarks.

**Amendments to the Claims** begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.

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